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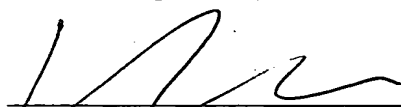
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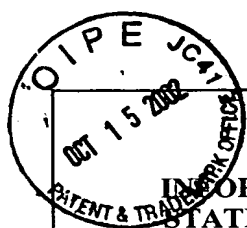
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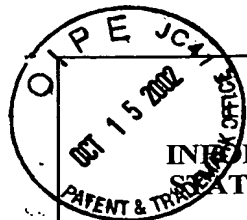
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	3,256,875	June 21, 1966	Tsepelev et al.			
	3,388,847	June 18, 1968	Kasulin et al.			
	3,490,675	January 20, 1970	Green et al.			
	3,494,533	February 10, 1970	D.T. Green et al.			
	3,552,626	January 5, 1971	Astafiev et al.			
	3,568,659	March 9, 1971	Karnegis			
	3,618,842	November 9, 1971	Bryan			
	3,662,939	May 16, 1972	Bryan			
	3,815,476	June 11, 1974	Green et al.			
	3,858,577	January 7, 1975	Bass et al.			
	3,859,986	January 14, 1975	Okada et al.			
	3,952,748	April 27, 1976	Kaliher et al.			
	4,071,029	January 31, 1978	Richmond et al.			
	4,085,756	April 25, 1978	Weaver			
	4,198,960	April 22, 1980	Utsugi			
	4,198,982	April 22, 1980	Fortner et al.			
	4,202,479	May 13, 1980	Razgulov et al.			
	4,207,898	June 17, 1980	Becht			
	4,250,873	February 17, 1981	Bonnet			
	4,273,109	June 16, 1981	Enderby			
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	4,286,585	September 1, 1981	Ogawa			
	4,289,131	September 15, 1981	Mueller			
	4,289,133	September 15, 1981	Rothfuss			
	4,304,236	December 8, 1981	Conta et al.			
	4,310,115	January 12, 1982	Inoue			
	4,319,576	March 16, 1982	Rothfuss			
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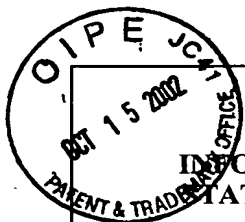
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	4,445,509	May 1, 1984	Auth			
	4,445,892	May 1, 1984	Hussein et al.			
	4,448,188	May 15, 1984	Loeb			
	4,473,077	September 25, 1984	Noiles et al.			
	4,476,863	October 16, 1984	Kanshin et al.			
	4,485,817	December 4, 1984	Swiggett			
	4,487,270	December 11, 1984	Huber			
	4,488,523	December 18, 1984	Shichman			
	4,489,724	December 25, 1984	Arnegger			
	4,494,057	January 15, 1985	Hotta			
	4,494,549	January 22, 1985	Namba et al.			
	4,499,895	February 19, 1985	Takayama			
	4,505,272	March 19, 1985	Utyamyshev et al.			
	4,505,414	March 19, 1985	Filipi			
	4,520,817	June 4, 1985	Green			
	4,534,420	August 13, 1985	Goldelius			
	4,535,773	August 20, 1985	Yoon			
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	4,573,468	March 4, 1986	Conta et al.			
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	4,592,354	June 3, 1986	Rothfuss			
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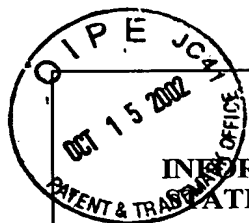
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	4,655,673	April 7, 1987	Hawkes			
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	4,671,445	June 9, 1987	Barker et al.			
	4,672,961	June 16, 1987	Davies			
	4,674,515	June 23, 1987	Andou et al.			
	4,696,667	September 29, 1987	Masch			
	4,700,703	October 20, 1987	Resnick et al.			
	4,703,887	November 3, 1987	Clanton et al.			
	4,705,038	November 10, 1987	Sjostrom et al.			
	4,708,141	November 24, 1987	Inoue et al.			
	4,732,156	March 22, 1988	Nakamura			
	4,733,118	March 22, 1988	Mihalko			
	4,742,815	May 10, 1988	Ninan et al.			
	4,752,024	June 21, 1988	Green et al.			
	4,754,909	July 5, 1988	Barker et al.			
	4,756,309	July 12, 1988	Sachse et al.			
	4,760,840	August 2, 1988	Fournier, Jr. et al.			
	4,771,774	September 20, 1988	Simpson et al.			
	4,776,506	October 11, 1988	Green			
	4,781,186	November 1, 1988	Simpson et al.			
	4,784,131	November 15, 1988	Kulik et al.			
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	4,805,823	February 21, 1989	Rothfuss			
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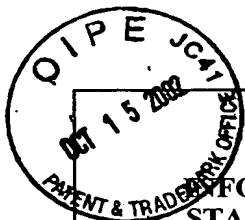
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	4,903,697	February 27, 1990	Resnick et al.			
	4,907,591	March 13, 1990	Vasconcellos et al.			
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	4,928,699	May 29, 1990	Sasai			
	4,930,494	June 5, 1990	Takehana et al.			
	4,936,845	June 26, 1990	Stevens			
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	4,957,499	September 18, 1990	Lipatov et al.			
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	4,978,049	December 18, 1990	Green			
	4,982,726	January 8, 1991	Taira			
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	5,005,749	April 9, 1991	Aranyi			
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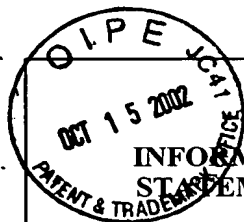
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	5,171,247	December 15, 1992	Hughett et al.			
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	5,192,292	March 9, 1993	Cezana et al.			
	5,197,649	March 30, 1993	Bessler et al.			
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	5,205,459	April 27, 1993	Brinkerhoff et al.			
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	5,226,426	July 13, 1993	Yoon			
	5,237,884	August 24, 1993	Seto			
	5,249,583	October 5, 1993	Mallaby			
	5,258,007	November 2, 1993	Spetzler et al			
	5,258,008	November 2, 1993	Wilk			
	5,261,877	November 16, 1993	Fine et al.			
	5,267,997	December 7, 1993	Farin et al.			
	5,268,622	December 7, 1993	Philipp			
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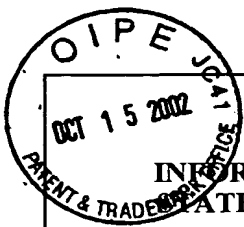
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	5,307,976	May 3, 1994	Olson et al.			
	5,312,023	May 17, 1994	Green et al.			
	5,318,221	June 7, 1994	Green et al.			
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	5,333,773	August 2, 1994	Main et al.			
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	5,354,266	October 11, 1994	Snoke			
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	5,380,321	January 10, 1995	Yoon			
	5,383,880	January 24, 1995	Hooven			
	5,395,030	March 7, 1995	Kuramoto et al.			
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	5,397,046	March 14, 1995	Savage et al.			
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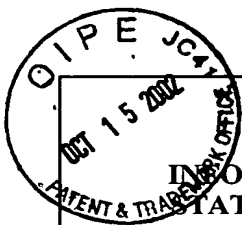
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	5,433,721	July 18, 1995	Hooven et al.			
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	5,441,507	August 15, 1995	Wilk			
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	5,454,825	October 3, 1995	Van Leeuwen et al.			
	5,460,182	October 24, 1995	Goodman et al.			
	5,467,911	November 21, 1995	Tsuruta et al.			
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	5,482,197	January 9, 1996	Green et al.			
	5,487,499	January 30, 1996	Sorrentino et al.			
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	5,496,269	March 5, 1996	Snoke			
	5,518,163	May 21, 1996	Hooven			
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	5,524,180	June 4, 1996	Wang et al.			
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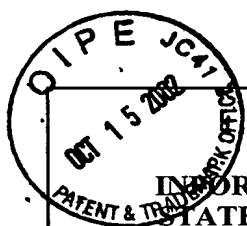
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	5,653,374	August 5, 1997	Young et al.			
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	5,732,872	March 31, 1998	Bolduc et al.			
	5,735,861	April 7, 1998	Peifer et al.			
	5,749,893	May 12, 1998	Vidal et al.			
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	5,762,458	June 9, 1998	Wang et al.			
	5,779,130	July 14, 1998	Alesi et al.			
	5,782,396	July 21, 1998	Mastri et al.			
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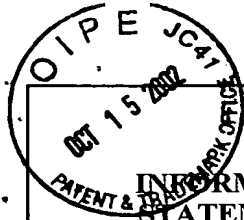
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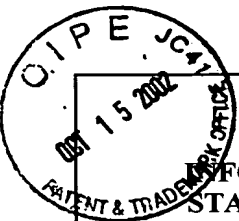
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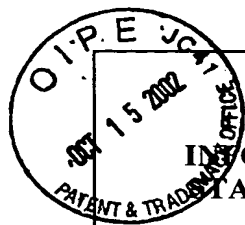
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